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Petersbourg, April 30.

THE laſt Courier which Count Panin, the Swediſh Miniſter, received from Stockholm, brought Advice that ſome Regiments would ſoon be tranſported into Finland, with this Circumſtance, that they were to work at the Fortifications in the Room of the Militia, who will have Liberty to return into the Villages in order to cultivate the Land. This Court is ſo well ſatisfied with the good Diſpoſitions of the Porte, that no Attention at all is given to the Reports of the Motions of the Turks in Walachia and Moldavia.

Florence, May 1. The continual Rains we have had for ſome Time paſt having done very conſiderable Damage, not only in this Neighbourhood, but likewiſe in all the Country adjacent, the Regency have cauſed publick Prayers to be put up in all Churches for an Alteration of the Weather.

Stockholm, May 7. It has been reſolved to tranſport eight Regiments into Finland, in order to change the Garriſons and relieve the Militia, who have been employed in working at the Fortifications. Theſe eight Regiments conſiſt of 8000 Men. They are to be ſent off in three Bodies, and will be all gone in the Courſe of a Fortnight.

Presbourg, May 7. Their Imperial Majeſties arrived here in good Health on the 5th Inſtant, accompanied with a numerous Retinue. They were received at Wolfſthal, about a League from hence, by a Deputation of the States of the Kingdom, who, after they had been admitted to an Audience under a magnificent Tent erected for that Purpoſe, their Imperial Majeſties proceeded to this City, where they were received by the Citizens under Arms, who conducted them to the Caſtle, through a prodigeous Crowd of Spectators, the Artillery from the Ramparts firing all the Time, and the Inhabitants expreſſing the utmoſt Joy on this Occaſion.

Dantzick, May 7. We learn here by Letters from Libau, that Count Lacy, Field Marſhal of her Imperial Majeſty's Armies, Commander in Chief of her Forces in the conquered Provinces, and Governor of the City and Fortreſs of Riga, died on the 30th of laſt Month, in the 85th Year of his Age, extremely regretted.

Vienna, May 8. On Monday the Archdutcheſſes, with the Princeſs Charlotte of Lorrain, ſet out from hence for Preſbourg, and Yeſterday the Archduke Joſeph, accompanied by Count Bathiani, took the ſame Route. This Evening an Expreſs arrived at Court from Preſburg with Advice, that their Imperial Majeſties were ſafely arrived there, and had been received with the greateſt Demonſtrations of Joy. They write from Trieſte, that the Manufacture eſtabliſhed there for refining of Sugar, continues to have all the Succeſs that can poſſibly de deſired.

Berlin, May 15. Count Rothenbourg is perfectly recovered from his late Indiſpoſition, and on Tueſday laſt waited on the King at Potzdam, in order to thank his Majeſty for the great Concern he had conſtantly ſhewn, and the many kind Viſits he had honoured him with during his Illneſs. The ſame Day Lieutenant-General Thieden, in the Service of the Landgrave of Heſſe-Caſſel, arrived in this City; as did the next Day Prince Maurice of Anhalt Deſſau from Potzdam, and ſet out immediately after for Stargard.

Leipſick, May 15. The King and Queen, with the Prince and Princeſs Royal, who came hither with ſeveral of the Nobility to ſee the Fair, ſet out from hence Yeſterday on their Return to Dreſden.

Bruſſels, May 17. A few Days ago a grand Council was held at Court, when ſeveral important Affairs were brought on the Tapis, in order to be adjuſted before the Departure of Prince Charles of Lorrain for Vienna. The Tax upon ſtrong Liquors has been augmented three Sols per Pot, and ſome other Impoſitions are talked of. On Thurſday laſt her Imperial Majeſty's Birth-Day was celebrated with great Magnificence. At Noon Prince Charles received the Compliments of the Nobility and Foreign Miniſters; and at Night there was a Maſquerade at the Grand Theatre, at which his Serene Highneſs aſſiſted. On this Occaſion the greateſt Part of the Houſes in this City were illuminated, and divers Diſcharges were made of the Cannon upon our Ramparts.

Hambourgh, May 18. The Biſhop of Lubeck is arrived in this City, in order to paſs a few Weeks with the Dutcheſs of Holſtein, his Highneſs's Mother.

Hague, May 20. The States of Holland and Weſtfrizeland, who were aſſembled Yeſterday

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day, have this Day continued their Deliberations. Yeſterday Morning his Serene Highneſs the Prince of Orange, accompanied by Baron Burmania, Grand Marſhal of the Court, Baron Groveſtins, Maſter of the Horſe, M. de Back, one of his Privy Counſellors, Admiral Schryver, Count Lillers, and ſome other Perſons of Diſtinction, ſet out from hence for Zealand. The Margrave of Baden Dourlach is arrived here from Germany, and Yeſterday waited on her Royal Highneſs the Princeſs of Orange. This Prince propoſes ſtaying here two or three Days, and then to proceed to Leuwarden to viſit the Princeſs Dowager.

Whitehall, May 11, 1751.

IT having been repreſented to the King, That divers Robberies and Burglaries, (attended with ſeveral Circumſtances of extreme Cruelty and Barbarity to the Inhabitants of the Houſes ſo broken open and plundered) have, within ſome Time paſt, been committed in the County of Suffolk, by Perſons armed and diſguiſed, who, it is generally ſuppoſed, have, heretofore, rode, and been converſant, with Smuggling Armed Gangs, which have inſulted and infeſted that County: That the Reverend Mr. Robert Hall, of Lopham, near Briſſingham, was, about Seven o'Clock in the Evening, on Thurſday the 23d of March 1749, in a Field, adjoining to his Houſe, attacked by ſeveral Perſons armed and diſguiſed, who robbed him of One Hundred Pounds, which he was then carrying Home, from a Neighbour, of whom he had received it; and that they dragged him to his own Houſe, where, upon breaking open ſeveral Buroes, and Cheſts of Drawers, they found Three Hundred Pounds more; which, with his Silver Watch, they alſo carried away:—That, about Seven o'Clock in the Evening, on Tueſday the 9th of October 1750, ſeveral Perſons, armed and diſguiſed, broke into the Houſe of Mrs. Sarah Ventris, Widow of the late Reverend Mr. Ventris, at Earls Stonham, dragged her only Son out of his Bed, threaten'd to murder him, and ſet Fire to the Houſe, in Caſe ſhe did not, immediately, deliver what Money ſhe had therein; upon which, they took Fifty Pounds in Gold and Silver Coin; ſix Thirty-ſix Shillings Pieces of Gold Coin, and ſome other looſe Money; three Silver Salts, four Silver Spoons, and one Silver Saucepan, marked T. S. V. being a great Part of the Subſtance which ſhe had left for the Support of herſelf and Family:—That on Friday the 19th of October 1750, the Houſe of Mr. Joſiah Stubben, at Offten, near Bramford, Yeoman, was robbed, about Seven o'Clock in the Evening, of between Twenty and Thirty Pounds in Gold and Silver Coin, one Silver Watch, and two Pair of Buckskin Breeches, &c. which were carried off by ſeveral Men armed and diſguiſed:—That on Saturday the 10th of November 1750, about Seven in the Evening, the Houſe of Mr. John Hemſtead, Yeoman, at Battisford, was forcibly enter'd by ſeveral Men armed and diſguiſed, who, being reſiſted, in their Attempt to plunder the Houſe, were immediately aſſiſted by ſeveral others, armed and diſguiſed, who ruſhed into the Houſe, and in Conjunction with the others, beat and abuſed the Family in a moſt inhuman and barbarous Manner; fractur'd the Skull of the Son of the ſaid Mr. John Hemſtead, leaving him without Signs of Life, and took out of the ſaid Houſe One Hundred Pounds of Gold and Silver Coin, &c.—That on Saturday the 22d of December 1750, the Houſe of Mr. Thomas Fulcher, Gent. of Breſingham, in or near Diſs, was broke open by ſeveral Men armed and diſguiſed, upon entering of which they declared to Mr. Fulcher their Intention of ſtriking off his Head with a Hatchet, which they ſhewed to him; and, in order thereto, blinded him, and laid his Head on a Block in the Kitchen; that then they broke open ſeveral Buroes, Boxes and Places in the ſaid Houſe, and did likewiſe conſiderable Damage to the Furniture of the ſaid Houſe; carried away One Hundred Pounds or more in Gold and Silver Coin, a great many Gold Rings, two Silver Watches, ſeveral Pieces of Old Gold Coin, and of old Silver Coin; three Silver Spoons, one Silver Tobacco Box, &c and upon going out of the Houſe, dragged the ſaid Mr. Fulcher into the Back Yard, and hung him with a Girdle by the Neck, on the Branch of a Tree; and that upon one of the Gang's cutting the Girdle, he fell to the Ground, ſenſeleſs and ſtunned, in which Condition they left him: His Majeſty for the better diſcovering and bringing to Juſtice the Perſons concerned in all, or any of the Facts abovementioned, is pleaſed hereby to promiſe his moſt gracious Pardon to any of the ſaid Offenders, who ſhall, within three Months from the Date hereof, diſcover any two or more of his or their Accomplices therein, ſo that they may be apprehended and convicted of any of the ſeveral Offences above-mentioned: And as a further Encouragement, that if any of the Perſons concerned in any or all of the Facts above-mentioned, or any other Perſon or Perſons whatſoever ſhall apprehend and take any of the Offenders above-mentioned, ſuch Perſon or Perſons ſhall receive from the Right Honourable the Lords Commiſſioners of his Majeſty's Treaſury, a Reward of One Hundred Pounds for each Perſon ſo taken, within one Month after Conviction, over and above any other Reward they may be entitled to by Law.

HOLLES NEWCASTLE.

Whitehall, May 14, 1751.

A Depoſition having been made at the Requeſt of James Cope, Eſq; his Majeſty's Reſident at Hamburgh, by Wirck Pieterſen, Commander of a Ship called the St. Johannes, (which lately arrived there under Daniſh Colours) repreſenting, that on the 16th of April laſt, being about ſix Leagues off the North Foreland, upon the Kentiſh Coaſt, he took up a Coffin, made in the Engliſh Manner, and having the following Inſcription engraved upon a ſilver'd Plate, viz.

Mr.
Francis Humphry
Merrydith Died
March 25, 1751.
Aged 51.

That having carried the ſaid Coffin, (being of Oak, cover'd with black Cloth, and having Eight ſilver'd Handles,) to Hamburgh, and open'd it there, a Coffin of Lead was found incloſed in it, which being alſo open'd, contained the Body of an elderly Man, embalmed, and dreſs'd in fine Linnen.

This publick Notice of the abovementioned Particulars is given, that any Perſon or Perſons concern'd for the Remains of the ſaid Mr. Francis Humphry Merrydith, may be enabled to ſend ſuch Directions, by Means of his Majeſty's Reſident at Hamburgh, as ſhall be thought proper upon this Occaſion; which ſhould be ſoon diſpatch'd, as Mr. Wirck Pieterſen, who now keeps the Body in a careful Manner, ſolder'd up in the ſame Coffin, on board the ſaid Ship, will ſoon proceed from Hamburgh upon another Voyage, though there is no Reaſon to apprehend that any decent Care will be omitted, Mr. Pieterſen having declared, that if no Cognizance was taken of this Affair in England, he would be at the Expence of a proper Burial.

Tower

Tower of London, April 26, 1751.

The Lieutenant General and Principal Officers of his Majeſty's Ordnance give Notice, that they will ſell by publick Auction, on Tueſday the 21ſt of May next, ſundry Lotts of Parchment, Paper and Cotton Cartridges, Tann'd Hides, Handſcrews, Drums, Shovels, Spades, Leather Coats for Firemen, Woolpacks, Tents, Match, Tarr'd Rope, Breechings, Tacklefalls, and other old and unſerviceable Stores lying in the Tower, where they may be viewed till the Time of Sale; and printed Liſts of the Lotts will be delivered to ſuch Perſons as apply for the ſame. By Order of the Board,

Charles Buſh.

Admiralty-Office, May 3, 1751.

His Majeſty having been graciouſly pleaſed, by his Warrant under his Royal Sign Manual, dated the 10th of June, 1733, to eſtabliſh certain Rules and Orders for the Relief of Poor Widows of Commiſſion and Warrant Officers of the Royal Navy: Theſe are to give Notice, that Copies of the ſaid Rules and Orders are lodged with the Commiſſioners of his Majeſty's Navy at Chatham, Portſmouth, and Plymouth; as alſo with the Clerks of the Checque at Deptford, Woolwich, and Sheerneſs; and with the Naval Officers at Harwich, Deal, and Kinſale; where all ſuch Widows as intend to lay in their Claims, may be informed of all Particulars which entitle them to the Benefit of the ſaid Charity, and receive the proper Certificates for that Purpoſe. But ſuch Widows as live at too great a Diſtance from the Places above-mentioned, may apply by Letter to Mr. Thomas Riley Blanckley, at the Admiralty Office, who will ſend them all neceſſary Information. And the Governors of the ſaid Charity intending to diſtribute to the Widows of Sea Officers who died before the 30th of Auguſt 1732, as well as to the Widows of thoſe who died ſince that Time, whoſe Circumſtances come within the Rules of the Eſtabliſhment, ſuch Sums as the Funds of the ſaid Charity ſhall produce for one Year ending the 31ſt of this Month, as ſoon as the Pay-books can be made up, and the Money ſhall be iſſued into the Paymaſter's Hands for that Purpoſe; This is to give Notice, that any Widows who have not yet applied, and intend to lay in their Claims, may do ſo as ſoon as poſſible; and that all ſuch Widows whoſe Claims have been already allowed, may ſend or bring to this Office, by the 31ſt of this Month, the Affidavits required by the Rules, in order to their being continued upon the Penſion or Bounty.

April 19, 1751.

General Poſt Office.

Whereas the Poſt-Boy bringing the Cirenceſter Mail to this Office, was Yeſterday Morning, between Two and Three of the Clock, on Gerrard's Croſs Common, between Wickham and Uxbridge, attacked and robbed by a ſingle Highwayman, mounted on a Bay Mare, who carried off the ſaid Mail, which contained the following Bags of Letters, viz.

Briſtol,	Worceſter,
Exeter,	Birmingham,
Tiverton,	Wolverhampton,
Taunton,	Woodſtock,
Wellington,	Bath,
Bridgewater,	Cirenceſter,
Wells,	Glouceſter,
Oxford,	Thame,
Burford,	Wickham,
Witney,	Beconsfield,
Chipping-norton,	Gerrard's Croſs,
Campden,	Abingdon, *and*
Eveſham,	Farringdon.

The Perſon who committed this Robbery, was a tall luſty black Man, about Six Feet high, between Forty and Fifty Years of Age, marked with the Small Pox, and had on a blue Surtout or Horſeman's Coat, and under it a dark coloured one, with white Metal Buttons, and wore a black or dark coloured Wig, and rode upon a large Brown Bay Horſe or Mare, Fifteen Hands high, with a bald Face, and a dark black Mane, the Tail lately docked and nicked, the Wounds not healed.

This therefore is to give Notice, That whoever ſhall apprehend and convict, or cauſe to be apprehended and convicted, the Perſon who committed this Robbery, will be intitled to a Reward of Two Hundred Pounds, *over and above the Reward given by Act of Parliament for apprehending of Highwaymen: Or if any Perſon or Perſons, whether Accomplice in the ſaid Robbery, or knowing thereof, ſhall make Diſcovery, whereby the Perſon, who committed the ſame, may be apprehended and brought to Juſtice, ſuch Diſcoverer or Diſcoverers will, upon Conviction of the Party, be intitled to the ſame Reward of* Two Hundred Pounds, *and alſo have His Majeſty's moſt gracious Pardon.*

By Command of the Poſt-Maſter-General,

George Shelvocke, *Secretary.*

The Governors of the Charity for the Relief of Poor Widows and Children of Clergymen do hereby give Notice, That they will begin to pay the Widows Penſions on Wedneſday in the Whitſun Week, being the 29th of this Inſtant May, at the Corporation Houſe in Salisbury-Court, Fleet-ſtreet, between the Hours of Ten and One o'Clock, and continue to pay the ſame on Thurſday the 30th, and Friday the 31ſt of the ſame Month; and Wedneſday the 5th, Wedneſday the 12th, and Wedneſday the 19th of June, at the ſame Place and between the ſame Hours: And on Wedneſday the 3d of July, Wedneſday the 7th of Auguſt, and Wedneſday the 4th of September, at the Houſe of Mr. George Hayter, Treaſurer, in Pancras-Lane, between the ſame Hours.

Ste. Comyn, Regiſter.

Adverti ſements.

Saliſbury Races.

HIS Majeſty's Plate of One Hundred Guineas will be run for on Saliſbury Downs near Saliſbury, on Tueſday the 25th Day of June next, by any Horſe, Mare, or Gelding, being no more than ſix Years old laſt Graſs; carrying twelve Stone; to enter and run according to the Rules and Articles of his Majeſty's Plate, which will be produc'd at the Time of Entering. If any Diſpute ſhould ariſe, the ſame to be determined by the Right Honourable Lord Viſcount Folkſtone, or whom he ſhall appoint.

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